

Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_ (JOINT-2)  
Docket Nos. UE-060266/UG-060267  
Witness: Joelle R. Steward  
Jim Lazar  
Donald W. Schoenbeck

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND  
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

Respondent.

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EXHIBIT TO JOINT TESTIMONY OF

JOELLE R. STEWARD  
JIM LAZAR AND  
DONALD SCHOENBECK

*Qualifications of Jim Lazar*

July 25, 2006

**Jim Lazar Consulting Economist Microdesign Northwest**

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Jim Lazar is a consulting economist specializing in utility rate and resource analysis. In more than seventy appearances before regulatory bodies in the United States and abroad, he has provided expert assistance in the areas of revenue requirement, cost of capital, formation of new publicly owned utility systems, electric and gas utility integrated resource planning, cost of service and rate design, least cost and integrated resource planning, the appropriate regulatory treatment of excess capacity, subsidiary profits, and regulatory treatment of real estate transactions.

**Technical Assistance:** Jim Lazar has provided technical assistance to local, state, and federal public agencies, public interest groups, industry trade groups, and electric utilities. Expert testimony has been presented before the state regulatory commissions of Washington, Idaho, Montana, California, Hawaii, Illinois, Oregon, and Arizona, and before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Economic Regulatory Administration, Bonneville Power Administration, California Energy Commission, British Columbia Utilities Commission, Manitoba Public Utilities Board and numerous local regulatory agencies. Internationally, Mr. Lazar has assisted clients in New Zealand, Ireland, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, and Canada with utility rate and resource analysis.

**Training:** Jim Lazar has taught Energy Economics as a member of the faculty of Edmonds Community College, and previously served as a faculty member to the Western Consumer Utility Training Center in 1982. He was the lead author of a book on utility rate and resource issues, The People's Power Guide, published in 1982, and a handbook on electric utility cost of service analysis prepared for the Arizona Corporation Commission in 1993. He has presented papers at numerous conferences in the United States, as well as Canada, New Zealand, and Austria, and has taught courses utility resource and regulatory principles in The Philippines, India, China, Indonesia, Brazil, and for the regulatory Commission of Kyrgyzstan..

**EDUCATION:**

University of California, Los Angeles  
Shimer College, Mt. Carroll, Illinois  
Western Washington University, Bellingham B.A. 1974 (Economics)  
Graduate work: Western Washington University (Economics)  
University of Washington (Public Administration)

**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

1979 to Present  
Self-employed consulting economist, and community college faculty: Transportation studies; Utility rate and resource analysis, conservation program design and evaluation, transportation system analysis. Associate with the Regulatory Assistance Project since 1999.

1983-84  
Research Director, Northwest Energy Coalition: Directed studies on energy resource cost-effectiveness, including nuclear, conservation, building codes, and unconventional resources;

1982  
Research Associate, Metropolitan Development Council of Tacoma, Washington: Research Director, People's Organization for Washington Energy Resources

**JIM LAZAR CONSULTING ECONOMIST  
RECENT CONSULTING CLIENTS**

**UTILITIES AND UTILITY ASSOCIATIONS**

City of Burbank, California  
Emerald People's Utility District [Eugene, OR]  
Hawaiian Electric Company  
Mason County Public Utility District #3 [Shelton, WA]  
Salem Electric Cooperative [Salem, OR]  
Snohomish County Public Utility District [Everett, WA]  
Northwest Gas Association [Portland, OR]

**PUBLIC AGENCIES**

Arizona Corporation Commission  
City of Bellevue, Washington  
Environmental Protection Agency  
Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs  
Idaho Public Utilities Commission  
Mount Rainier National Park  
National Marine Fisheries Service  
Office of the Attorney General, Washington  
Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission  
Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii  
Washington State Department of Community, Trade, and Economic  
Development  
Washington State Department of Wildlife  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

**NONPROFIT ENTITIES**

Association for the Advancement of Sustainable Energy Policy (Canada)  
British Columbia Energy Coalition (Canada)  
Citizen's Utility Board, (Illinois)  
Columbia River Intertribal Fish Commission  
EnergyWatch (New Zealand)  
Institute of International Education  
Montana Electricity Buying Cooperative  
National Education Association  
Natural Resources Defense Council  
Nez Perce Indian Nation  
Northwest Conservation Act Coalition  
Regulatory Assistance Project  
Resource Conservation Manitoba  
Squamish Indian Nation (Canada)  
Time to Respect Earth's Ecosystems (Canada)  
Yakima Indian Nation